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FINE RETURNED.

United States Government Could Not
Accept Amount Levied on British
Attache.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29.—An-
nouncement is made at the state de-
partment that it received from the British
ambassador at Washington a cheque
for \$25, the amount which a Massa-
chusetts magistrate fined Hugh Gurney,
third secretary of the embassy, charged
with exceeding the speed limit of auto-
mobiles in Massachusetts. The cheque
was received after the magistrate apolo-
gized for his conduct and was returned

to the ambassador by the department
with a cordial note, informing him that
as the arrest of his secretary was un-
warranted the fine was irregular, and
could not be received. The announce-
ment of these facts is made by the state
department that it may be known that
the British embassy was ready from the
start to make all appropriate amends.

The announcement was made Monday,
says a St. Petersburg dispatch that the
zone in which the Jews can buy real
estate will be extended. Eighty political
exiles at Archangel have already been
brought back by Interior Minister
Mirsky. About eight hundred and fifty
still remain there.

HOLD PORTION OF IMPORTANT HILL

TOKIO REPORTS SUCCESS
OF JAPANESE ASSAULT

Chinese Say a Large Number of Woun-
ded Soldiers Have Arrived at
Dalny.

(Associated Press.)
Tokio, Nov. 30.—It is reported that the
Japanese assaulted, carried, and retained
the southeastern portion of 203-Metre
hill.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS
ARRIVE AT DALNY.

Chefoo, Nov. 30.—Chinese who left
Dalny on November 25th, arrived here
today. They say the fighting at Port
Arthur continues. They heard firing on
November 29th while at sea.

The Chinese assisted in carrying the
Japanese wounded from the trains to the
hospital, and personally counted a thou-
sand. The Japanese, they add, seemed
depressed.

NO CHANGE IN THE
POSITIONS OF ARMIES.

Gen. Oku's headquarters, via Fusan,
Nov. 29.—(Delayed in transmission.)—
The position of the two armies is prac-
tically unchanged.

There has been no fighting save out-
post skirmishes and occasional Russian
bombardments, which are usually un-
answered.

Neither side shows indications of mov-
ing.

The Japanese are not affected by the
increasing cold weather.

THE RUSSIANS ARE
FORTIFYING PUKCHEN.

New York, Nov. 30.—A Herald dis-
patch dated Wonsan, Nov. 18th, via
Shanghai, Nov. 28th, says:

"The Korean prefect of Songchin, who
maintains unfriendly relations with the
Russians there, asserts that 500 artillery-
men, with seven heavy guns, passed
south for Pukchen early this month. The
Russians informed him that an additional
force of artillery was on the way for
Vladivostok, their intention being to
hold Pukchen at all costs."

NEW COMMANDER ON
HIS WAY TO FRONT.

Odessa, Nov. 29.—Gen. Kaulbars, com-
manding the Third Manchurian army,
has left Odessa for Manchuria, where he
expects to arrive December 14th.

WILL REPORT TO COUNCIL.

Committee of College of Physicians and
Surgeons Held Investigation Into
Telford Case.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—A committee of
the College of Physicians and Surgeons
this morning held an investigation into
the alleged falsification of an appen-
dixis performed on the late Miss Lillian
Bowell by Dr. R. Telford at the Burrard
Sanitarium. The investigation commit-
tee was Dr. Walker, of New West-
minster; Dr. Proctor, of Kamloops, and
Dr. Fagan, of Victoria.

L. G. McPhillips, for the medical
council, put in the evidence taken at the
coroner's inquest, and Joe Martin, for
the defence, put in the police court testi-
mony.

Mr. Martin wanted to know who laid
the present information, but no one
vouchsafed an answer. Mr. Martin in-
timated he would appeal to the Supreme
court if his client's certificate were taken
away.

Later Mr. Martin started to lay an
oral charge against Dr. Monroe, of Van-
couver, and when told that he must put
this in writing before it would be con-
sidered, he openly accused Dr. Walker
of having stated that he would take Dr.
Telford's certificate away.

This caused quite a sensation, and
everyone talked together during the
closing part of the session.

Finally the hearing was closed, and
the committee will report to the medical
council.

NELSON CONFIDENT.

No Doubt As to Result of Fight With
Britt—Last Night's Contest.

(Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Nov. 30.—Discussing
the Nelson-Corbett fight last night, Nel-
son said:

"At no time during the fight was I in
doubt of the result. Of course, in the
first two or three rounds I was just feel-
ing him out, but after the third round
had passed I knew I had him. Before
the fight I said that Corbett was not
game. I take that back. I am not
marked up a bit. Britt? Why I'll win
from Britt. He looks just like the rest
of them to me, and I'll get him. I won
a little over \$2,000 outside of my share
of the receipts."

Corbett said: "I was beaten fairly.
There is nothing else to it. I have real-
ly nothing to say. Let it go out to the
world that I say that I was fairly
beaten by a man who is better than I
am. He won, and he won fairly all the
way."

James Britt said: "Nelson is a grand
little fighter, and I realize that when I
fight him in December I have got to put

up a better fight than I ever did before
in my life. I have had my eyes opened,
and any doubt that I had as to Nelson
as a card is swept away. He is the one
man that I want to fight, and I want
to say that all the bickerings between
Corbett and myself are over as far as I
am concerned, after this game showing
he made. I am willing if he is to shake
hands and call off all past unfriend-
liness."

ITALIAN PARLIAMENT
Opened by King Victor Emmanuel, Who
Was Accompanied by Queen
Helena.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, Nov. 30.—King Victor Em-
manuel, who was accompanied by Queen
Helena, opened parliament today from
his seat in the senate at the Palazzo
Madama. The King read the speech from
the throne, expressing liberal and peace-
ful principles, which were enthusiastically
applauded.

The streets through which the royal
cortege passed were lined with troops,
and behind them the people were packed,
while the windows, balconies and ter-
races were crowded with sightseers.

The sovereigns were accompanied by
Prince and Princess Francis Joseph of
Battenberg, Princess Xenia of Mont-
enegro and Elena of Serbia, the Duke of
Genoa and the Duke Urbino.

Their Majesties rode in beautiful sil-
ver mounted carriages, supported by a
guard of honor of mounted cuirassiers
whose helmets, breastplates and swords
sparkled in the sun. As the procession
passed through the streets the cannon of
the castle of St. Angelo boomed, the his-
toric bells of the capital rang out a wel-
come, the men shouted "Long live the
King," and the women waved their hand-
kerchiefs.

The hall of the senate was crowded,
and there was an especially brilliant
gathering in the diplomatic tribune. The
vast assembly stood and applauded for
several minutes when the sovereigns
entered.

Premier Giolitti called the roll call
of the members of the senate, who took
the customary oath, and the King, sit-
ting on the throne, read his speech.

The weather was magnificent. The
passage of the King to and from the
palace of the senate was a gorgeous
affair.

The speech referred to the birth of the
Crown Prince as "a much desired event,
which has rejoiced my house, while the
general manner in which the people joined
in the good wishes, demonstrated the
indissoluble union between the monarchy
and the people, which has formed so
great a part in the success of the coun-
try."

The King then announced the intro-
duction of bills with the object of pro-
gressively elevating the condition of the
working classes.

His Majesty concluded by saying:
"The economic condition of Italy is
making evident progress, as demonstrated
by the high quotations of state bonds,
the disappearance of exchange on gold,
the increase in the deposits in the sav-
ings banks and the unlimited credit en-
joyed by the treasury of the state. Arbi-
tration treaties have been concluded with
France, Great Britain and Switzerland,
while negotiations for similar accords
with the United States and other coun-
tries are well advanced."

NORTH SEA COMMISSION.

President Roosevelt Has Not Yet Se-
lected Member—Dewey Has Declin-
ed the Honor.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 30.—An important
meeting of the cabinet was held soon
after the arrival of President Roosevelt
from St. Louis. The appointment by the
President of a representative of the Amer-
ican government who will be "a naval
officer of high rank" on the tribunal
which is to determine the questions which
have arisen between Great Britain and
Russia, was considered.

When the cabinet adjourned nothing
definite regarding the appointee had been
reached.

It is practically certain, however, that
the selection will be made from among
three officers, Rear-Admirals Davis,
Chadwick and Sands. Admiral Dewey
was considered, but he has let it be un-
derstood that he does not care for the honor.
An announcement of the appointment
may be expected in a few days.

Russian Comments.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 30.—The news-
papers commenting on the Russo-Anglo
North Sea convention, while declaring
that rightly or wrongly the sympathies of
the United States are supposed to be with
Japan, express the greatest confidence in
the impartiality of whoever President
Roosevelt may select to sit on the inter-
national commission.

Will Be Offered to Davis.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The President
announced today that Rear-Admiral
Charles E. Davis will be offered the ap-
pointment on the Dogger Bank inquiry.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

Sentence Passed on Youthful Criminal,
Who, With Companions, Held Up
a Chicago Restaurant.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Orlin Cox, seven-
teen years old, has been sentenced to life
imprisonment on a charge of robbery.
The severe penalty was given because
Cox, when committing the crime, was
armed with a loaded revolver.

The crime for which he was convicted
was committed on September 28th. Cox
and his companions entered a Chicago
restaurant, revolvers were displayed, and
the customers robbed under threats of
death. The youthful criminals secured
\$110, and made their escape, but Cox
was arrested soon afterward.

DIET OPENED BY JAPANESE EMPEROR

REFERRED TO RELATIONS
WITH NEUTRAL POWERS

Ministers Will Submit Scheme for Meet-
ing Extraordinary Expenditures
Necessitated by War.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Nov. 30.—11 p.m.—The Em-
peror opened the second war diet today.
He rode through the crowded streets in
a state coach, escorted by a troop of
lancers and accompanied by the Crown
Prince, his staff and some members of
the imperial household, to the house of
parliament, where both houses were as-
sembled in the Chamber of Representatives.
The diplomatic corps and many
prominent government officials were pres-
ent.

The Emperor ascended the dais from
which he read the following address:
"We hereby perform the ceremony of
opening the Imperial Diet, and announce
to the members of the House of Peers
and House of Representatives that to
our profound regret our relations with
all the neutral powers are continually
growing more amicable."

"We have directed our ministers of
state to submit to you a scheme for
meeting the extraordinary expenditures
necessitated by the war, together with
the budget for the thirty-eighth year of
Meiji, besides other projects of law."

"Our expeditionary forces have been
victorious in every battle, have repeat-
edly shown fresh proofs of their loyalty
and bravery, so that the progress of the
war has been so constantly to our ad-
vantage that we expect by the loyal de-
votion of our subjects to attain our ul-
timate object, and we will call upon you
to discharge your duties by harmonious
co-operation, thereby promoting our
wishes and ends."

HAVE MAJORITY OF POPULAR VOTE

RETURNS FOR RECENT
FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Liberal Margin on the Total Vote Cast
Will Be About Sixty
Thousand.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—The returns for the
federal elections have all been received
by the clerk of the Crown in Chancery
for Ontario, with the exception of three
or four constituencies which will slightly
increase the Conservative returns. What
has been received shows a total vote
cast of nearly 400,000. Of these the
Conservatives got 200,190; Liberals,
197,039; and Independents, 2,053. In the
Independent list is Mr. Rat, of Middle-
sex, who got a vote of 1,894 and was
elected. The Conservatives have got
about ten more members in Ontario than
the Liberals.

When all the Federal election returns
have been received from the province of
Quebec, the majority of the Liberals will
be close on 40,000 in that province. Re-
turns so far received give over 35,000.
In Nova Scotia the Liberal majority over
the Conservatives is over 8,000, and New
Brunswick will be between 2,000 and
3,000. The majorities for the govern-
ment in the provinces west of Lake
Superior will be large, so that, when all
the returns are in, Sir Wilfrid Laurier
will have a majority of the total vote
cast of somewhere about 60,000. The
Conservatives will have a majority in
two provinces. In Ontario they will have
a little over 3,000 over the Liberals, and
between one and two thousand over the
Liberals and Independents. From
Prince Edward Island all the returns
have been received, and the Conserva-
tives have a majority of 545. The total
vote in the Island was 29,427.

"NOT WORTH A DOLLAR."

Director of Bank Says Collateral Notes
Are Not Signed by Andrew
Carnegie.

(Associated Press.)

Oberlin, Ohio, Nov. 30.—A meeting of
the director of the failed Citizens' Bank
was held last night. Director J. R.
Randolph made the startling statement
that the signature on the collateral notes
for \$500,000 and \$250,000, on which Mrs.
Chadwick was loaned money, is not
worth a dollar. He said he had seen the
notes, and they are not signed by Andrew
Carnegie; that such a story is ridiculous.
In his opinion, the signature does not add
value to the paper.

Mrs. Chadwick Ill.

New York, Nov. 30.—Mrs. Cassill
Chadwick, the Cleveland woman who
has been made the defendant in a
series of sensational suits for the re-
covery of large sums of money, said to
have been loaned her by individuals and
banks, is seriously ill at the Holland
house. Two maids and a nurse are in

constant attendance, and a physician is
always within call. While the greatest
secrecy is maintained at the hotel, and
her presence there is not admitted, it is
said that Mrs. Chadwick is on the verge
of a nervous breakdown as a result of
the publicity which has followed the suit
to recover nearly \$500,000 which was
brought by Herbert D. Newton, of
Brookline, Mass.

Up to yesterday, while it was believed
that Mrs. Chadwick was still at the Hol-
land house, where she registered, last
week, there was no certainty that she
had not left the city. At her hotel it
was said that she had left there several
days ago, and that her whereabouts was
not known. Last night, however, when
a report reached the police that Mrs.
Chadwick had committed suicide, a
prompt investigation disproved the sui-
cide report, but established beyond ques-
tion that she was still at the Holland
house.

A meeting of attorneys representing
the claimants and attorneys representing
Mrs. Chadwick was held at the Hol-
land house, where she is registered, last
night, in this city today. It is un-
derstood that the meeting had been
arranged in the hope of effecting a set-
tlement of the many claims for large
sums of money filed against her by banks
and individuals.

Where this meeting will be held has
not been made public, but it will prob-
ably be in the Holland house, or near
there, where reports can be made to Mrs.
Chadwick. It is not known whether she
will attend the meeting in person.

THE NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Earl Grey Will Sail From Liverpool For
Canada To-Morrow.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—It is officially an-
nounced that Earl Grey will sail from
Liverpool to-morrow by the Parisian. He
is expected to arrive at Halifax on Fri-
day, December 9th.

GERMAN THREATS.

May Open Tariff Hostilities Against
Austria-Hungary.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, Nov. 30.—The negotiations for
a commercial treaty between Germany
and Austria-Hungary have been broken
off completely, and in the present mood
of the German government they will not
be resumed, unless the initiative comes
from Austria-Hungary. Interior Sec-
retary Count von Posadowsky-Weyner,
who has been conducting the negotiations
at the Austrian capital for the last four
weeks, returns here today. The semi-
official newspapers are exasperated over
what is defined here as "Austro-Hungary
obstinacy," and threats are made to de-
nounce the present treaty and open tariff
hostilities as a means of showing Austria-
Hungary that reciprocity is better than a
tariff war.

COAST DEFENCES.

Report of Chief of Artillery of United
States Army.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 30.—Brigadier-Gen-
eral Story, chief of artillery, United
States Army, in his annual report to Gen.
Chaffee, the chief of staff, dwells upon
what he regards as the most urgent de-
mands for the coast defences. He says
that the best and most economical use
of the entire armament of the coast re-
quires one complete relief to man each
and every element of defence. He says
that if torpedoes are co-operated with a
proper armament as at Port Arthur and
Vladivostok, it is not probable that any
enemy, however enterprising, would at-
tempt to force their line of defence.

VON BUELOW FRIENDLY.

Denies Imputation That Germany
Desires to Make Bad Blood Be-
tween Britain and Russia.

London, Nov. 29.—The Nineteenth
Century in its December issue has an in-
teresting interview with Chancellor von
Buelow on Anglo-German relations.
Count von Buelow declares that he is
and always has been the friend of Eng-
land, and repudiates as absurd the im-
putation that Germany desires to make bad
blood between England and Russia. He
also denies explicitly the rumors that Ger-
many wishes Admiral Rozhensky of the
possible proximity of Japanese tor-
pedo boats in European waters.

FAVOR SCHOOLS.

How Money Subscribed in Honor of Rus-
sian Heir May Be Expended.

(Associated Press.)

Moscow, Nov. 30.—A conference here
of the marshals of the nobility, discussing
the most advisable use for the fund sub-
scribed by the nobility in honor of the
birth of the heir to the throne, unani-
mously opposed the proposal to devote
the money to founding a second naval
college or scholarships in the existing col-
lege, favoring the use of the money in
opening village schools on the models of
Des Moines school in France and the
Litz. This action is considered to be
significant.

WAS TOO PRESUMPTUOUS.

Death of Former Adviser of King Lud-
wig II.—How He Lost Favor.

(Associated Press.)

Munich, Nov. 30.—Joseph Masch-
mann, who was noted 20 years ago as the
court barber and confidential adviser of
King Ludwig II., is dead. Maschmann
was entrusted with the election of cabi-
net ministers, and had great influence
with the King, but lost favor through
too great presumption.

HEARING APPEAL IN THE WILL CASE

SIR C. HIBBERT TUPPER
RESUMES ARGUMENT

Court Discussed the Method of Taking
New Evidence If Amendment
Is Allowed.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—The argument in
the Hopper-Dunsmuir appeal was com-
menced yesterday before Chief Justice
Hunter, Mr. Justice Irving and Mr. Jus-
tice Martin, by Sir C. H. Tupper on be-
half of Mrs. Joan Dunsmuir, intervenor.
The first attack on the judgment of
Mr. Justice Drake in the court below
was directed against the refusal of the
trial judge to allow the plaintiffs to
amend their statement of claim by al-
leging that Alexander Dunsmuir's will
was not executed in accordance with the
laws of California.

Near the end of the trial it developed
during the examination of Messrs. Low
and Taylor, who were witnesses to the
will, that they did not know the docu-
ment signed was a will; by the Cal-
ifornia law they must know. The will
was signed in the house of the Agnews,
"Frisco, during the supper following the
ceremony, by which Mrs. Wallace be-
came Mrs. Dunsmuir, and the wit-
nesses were not at all clear as to the
facts. It was suggested that the sup-
per might account for a lapse in the
recollection, but it was shown that it
was a very dry wedding, claret being the
strongest form of liquid refreshment.
This morning argument was continued
on the same lines, the court discussing if
an amendment was allowed how the
new evidence should be taken, and a
reference to whether a registrar, commis-
sioner or single judge was suggested.

TWO HATCHERIES TO BE BUILT IN NORTH

Will Be Located on Skeena and Rivers
Inlet—New Snagboat for
Former River.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—Fisheries In-
spector Williams made several important
announcements at a meeting of the
Fraser River Cannery Association. A
new snagboat is to be built for the
Skeena, and the present small one trans-
ferred to the Naas.

Two hatcheries, each of twenty mil-
lions capacity, are to be built in the
north, one on the Skeena, and the other
on Rivers Inlet.

Mr. Williams told them that no traps
would be allowed in northern waters if a
majority of the cannery owners agreed,
and it so happens that 24 out of 32 can-
nery men in the north are against traps.
An order has been made putting into
force the former weekly closed season in
the north from Saturday morning till
Sunday night, instead of making a long
closed season from August 25th to Sep-
tember 15th, which the cannery owners
would operate very expensively for them.
Three uniformed officers are to patrol the
upper Skeena and Babine as a result of
Mr. Helgesen's report, and it is possible
fishing may be entirely prohibited above
Babine lake.

SHOT BY FATHER-IN-LAW.

Bridegroom and His Father Dead,
Brother Wounded.

(Associated Press.)

Port Worth, Texas, Nov. 30.—Two
men have been shot and killed, and
another seriously wounded by J. M. Wil-
lams, a farmer, near the town of Alvar-
ado.

Stephen McKinney, a young farmer
who had been paying attention to the
step-daughter of Williams, failing to win
his consent to marriage, ran away with
the girl and married her. McKinney and
his bride returned home, and the bride-
groom went to work on his farm. Wil-
lams went to the town of Alvarado and
bought a rifle. Then riding out to the
field where the bridegroom, his father and
brother were at work, the enraged man
without a word opened fire. The elder
McKinney rushed to the rescue of his
boy, and was himself shot dead. The
brother, too, was seriously injured.

RECEIVED BY THE POPE.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, Nov. 30.—The Pope today re-
ceived in private audience the Right Rev.
J. B. Delany Bishop of Manchester, N.
H., and the Most Rev. Paul Bruchesi,
Archbishop of Montreal.

LAWYER DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 30.—James Landray
Gordon, assistant corporation counsel of
New York City, died today of pneu-
monia after a brief illness.

THINGS OF BEAUTY

Beautiful things are often useful, and almost always useful articles can look well, too. We like to sell good looking things.

Tollet Articles

Brushes, Mirrors, etc., that we know to be good. Sometimes the very poorest goods are made to look like the best, and that is where our experience is needed. Perhaps you can't tell the difference, but we can.

GOOD QUALITY

Is the first thing we look at in buying, but we want the appearance, quality and price to suit you. Look for the sign of "The Camel" when you want good goods.

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When Are You Going to Decide That Question of Electric Light?

YOUR NEIGHBORS USE IT, WHY SHOULD NOT YOU?

It is the Only Light for Domestic Purposes.

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JAPANESE LOST FOUR THOUSAND

IN THE LAST ATTACK ON RUSSIAN FORTRESS

More Forts Reported to Have Been Taken by Besiegers—Cossacks in Sharp Fight.

London, Nov. 30.—According to a Tokio dispatch to the Chronicle, there is an official rumor that the Japanese have taken two hundred and three metre hill, from whence their fire has a sweep of the whole harbor.

This report doubtless goes beyond the facts, but various dispatches indicate the progress of the Japanese in the direction of Port Arthur.

Japanese here explain the great importance of the capture of Two Hundred and Three Metre hill, which besides giving command of the harbor will serve as a wide breach made by the wedge the Japanese had previously driven in between the Elze group of forts and the Russian's last retreat in the ravines of Laotie mountain. They declare that the retreat to Laotie will be cut off, and it is not unlikely that Laotie will be simultaneously attacked in the final assault.

Benjamin Burleigh wires to the Daily Telegraph from Chefoo that in the assault the Japanese lost 4,000 men. They captured two more of the northernmost forts, and a third, which is a part of the Keekwan fort. They claim to have effected a lodgment at Pigeon bay, thus turning the fort on Two Hundred and Three Metre hill, and that they are now tunnelling from the gorge below Laotie hill, which they hope first to damage, then to rush. The dispatch concludes: "Desperate fighting occurs every day, and the losses are said to be excessive, but the Japanese insist that Port Arthur must fall within 21 days."

The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs that the Russian munition has been established between the Russian consulate at Chefoo and the Port Arthur garrison.

SITUATION CRITICAL IF REPORTS ARE TRUE.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 30.—3.28 a.m.—Foreign reports of the fighting at Port Arthur are accepted here very seriously. If the Japanese have taken Two Hundred and Three Metre hill, as reported, and are commanding the whole harbor, it is believed that the situation is critical.

Experts on Port Arthur emphatically assert, however, that it is more likely that the Japanese have occupied important positions at the base of the hill, and believe that, with the concentrated fire of the covering forts, the Japanese will find the top of the hill untenable if they arrive there.

NIGHT SORTIES BY RUSSIAN SCOUTS.

Mukden, Nov. 29.—The activity of the Japanese against Gen. Rennenkampf's force continued November 28th, culminating before noon in one of the severest fights in weeks. The Japanese retired only about 900 yards, but after the fight the Russians collected 230 Japanese.

The most Fastidious Can voice nothing but praise for the New Scale Williams' Piano.

Miss Alice Maud Robinson, one of Toronto's most highly cultured pianists and a late pupil of Prof. Xavier Scharwenka of Berlin writes as follows:—

"I have had the pleasure of playing on one of your style 20 pianos, and consider it an exceptionally fine toned instrument. The touch is most responsive, and to anyone desiring a first class instrument, I have great pleasure in recommending it."

Wishing you every success, I am,

Yours truly,
ALICE MAUD ROBINSON,
Late pupil of Prof. Xavier Scharwenka, Berlin, Germany, Pianist to the German Emperor.
Sole Local Agents, Fletcher Bros., 93 Government street.

WINTER NAVIGATION ON THE ST. LAWRENCE

Steamer St. Helens Will Be Accompanied by an Ice Breaker—Miners' Wages.

Halifax, Nov. 29.—The steamer St. Helens, the last steamer to leave Cape Breton this season for Montreal, coal laden, sailed from Port Morien last night. She will be met below Quebec by the new ice-breaker, which will render assistance should ice interfere with her progress. This trip of the St. Helens is the nature of a trial to demonstrate the feasibility of keeping navigation to Montreal open longer by the use of ice-breakers.

Coal Company's Proposal.

Halifax, Nov. 29.—A conference was held yesterday between the officials of the Dominion Coal Company and representatives from the different provincial workmen's associations, and mining lodges at the company's collieries. The miners were asked to enter into a three-year agreement with the company at the present rate of wages. The proposal was a surprise to the miners, who expected that they would have been asked to accept a reduction during the winter months. The representatives of the company took the matter into consideration and will refer to the lodges for action.

Combine Smashed.

Toronto, Nov. 29.—The combine of the wholesale poultry exporters recently made at a secret meeting, to pay a certain low rate for turkeys, has been smashed by the unexpected rush for orders for thousands of turkeys for the Northwest. Exporters are now telegraphing all over the province to buy at higher prices than last year. In response to cable orders, one exporter is buying for the Liverpool market by the thousand, and paying twelve and a half cents a pound, live weight, for them and cannot get enough to fill cable orders.

Fire Insurance.

Toronto, Nov. 29.—Secretary Stewart of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, is sending out a call for a first meeting of the new Dominion fire insurance board here on December 14th. Representatives will be present from every province in the Dominion.

CARNEGIE'S DENIAL.

His Name Alleged to Appear on Note Held by Mrs. Chadwick.

New York, Nov. 29.—A meeting of Mrs. Chadwick's creditors was held here today and was presided over by George E. Ryall, the New York attorney for Herbert D. Newton, of Brookline, Mass., who is suing Mrs. Chadwick for the recovery of \$100,000 he loaned her on notes. Mr. Ryall today issued the following statement:

"There was a conference at my office at which were present Mr. Newton, Mr. Carver of Boston, Judge John Albright of Canton, counsel for Mrs. Chadwick, and myself. On behalf of Mrs. Chadwick Judge Albright requested that the receivership proceedings be put off until Friday, which time she will appear in some kind of shape. This was agreed to."

"Mr. Newton said that he had seen a note for \$500,000 which was given by Mrs. Chadwick as collateral for a loan to the Citizens' National bank, which failed yesterday. My client told me that this note carried the signature 'Andrew Carnegie.' This will have to come out sooner or later, so I tell it now."

The following statement was made today at the residence of Andrew Carnegie by Mr. Carnegie's secretary, in reference to a report that Mr. Carnegie's name appeared as endorsed on a note held by Mrs. Chadwick of Cleveland: "Mr. Carnegie read this report and pronounced it absurd. Mr. Carnegie does not know the woman at all."

MUTINEERS KILLED.

Twenty-Five Recruits Dead and Many Wounded as Result of Riot at Odessa.

London, Nov. 29.—Dispatches from Odessa report that a serious mutiny occurred yesterday at the marine barracks, in the course of which twenty-five recruits were killed and a large number of others wounded. The riot was only one in a long chain of similar occurrences which began early last week and prompted the authorities to surround the barracks with a strong cord of loyal soldiers.

Rumors that a new outbreak was contemplated reached the authorities early in the day, but at that time everything seemed quiet and the reports were not credited. In the afternoon a strong body of recruits left one of the barracks, and marching the length of the entire row, sang incendiary songs and shouted to their comrades to quit their posts and parade the streets.

In a minute every room was in an uproar. Some of the cooler heads tried to restrain the others, but the younger men crowded to the doors and flocked to the singing and yelling band.

Almost simultaneously the guards gave the alarm and charged the rioters. Very few of the latter were armed, having left their rooms without preparation. The effect of the charge was instantaneous. The mutineers huddled together, and led by the few armed men, tried to come within grappling reach of the soldiers. This movement was met with a volley, which stretched a number of the rioters on the ground.

The scenes which then followed were awful. Small groups of the recruits attempted resistance and rushed to destruction. Others ran wildly about, hoping to escape the flying bullets. In less than fifteen minutes the mutiny was over. Twenty-five of its participants had been killed and the number of wounded is estimated at fully 100.

Enoch Sloan, a farmer who lived near Shelby, Ky., while intoxicated, shot and killed his wife, their four small children and himself.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.



The case of Miss Frankie Orser, of Boston, Mass., is interesting to all women.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered misery for several years. My back ached and I had bearing-down pains, and frequent headaches. I would often wake from a restless sleep in such pain and misery that it would be hours before I could close my eyes again. I dreaded the long nights and weary days. I could do no work. I consulted different physicians hoping to get relief, but, finding that their medicines did not cure me, I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, as it was highly recommended to me. I am glad that I did so, for I soon found that it was the medicine for my case. Very soon I was rid of every ache and pain and restored to perfect health. I feel splendid, have a fine appetite, and have gained in weight a lot."

MISS FRANKIE ORSER, 14 Warren Street, Boston, Mass. —\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Sturdy you cannot wish to remain weak, sick and discouraged, and exhausted with each day's work. Some derangement of the feminine organs is responsible for this exhaustion, following any kind of work or effort.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you just as it has thousands of other women.

WEDDING PARTY KILLED.

Thirteen People Murdered by Greek Bandits, Who Escaped.

Belgrade, Serbia, Nov. 29.—A wedding party near Monastir, Macedonia, has been attacked and slaughtered by Greek bandits, according to a telegram received at the foreign office. Thirteen of the party were killed, and five were wounded. The Greeks escaped to the mountains.

\$1,000 PILE CURE.

A Thousand Dollar Guarantee goes with every bottle of Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid—the only certain cure for every form of Piles.

George Cook, St. Thomas, Ont., writes: "Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid cured me of a very bad case of Piles of over ten years' standing. I had tried everything, but got no permanent cure till I used Hem-Roid. I had Blind and Bleeding Piles and suffered everything. Ointments and local treatments failed, but Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid cured me perfectly."

Hem-Roid is a tablet taken internally which removes the cause of Piles. \$1.00 All Druggists and The Wilson-Fyle Co., Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The final points of dispute between the Cunard and White Star lines have been adjusted, and circulars will be issued restoring the trans-Atlantic passenger rates to their old level.

President Mitchell, Vice-President William Lewis and Secretary W. B. Wilson of the United Mine Workers will be re-elected without opposition at the next national convention at Indianapolis, January 18th.

Madame Janaschek's death took place in the Brunswick Home at Amityville, L. I., where for the past four months she had been a private patient as a charge of the Actors' Fund. Paralysis and general debility were the immediate cause of death. Madame Janaschek was 74 years old.

President Roosevelt has been strongly urged to use his influence in favor of establishing a system of mounted police in Alaska, somewhat similar to the Northwest Mounted Police of Canada and the Yukon Territory. This recommendation is one of the principal features of the report of Judge Day, assistant to the Attorney-General, who recently made an investigation of conditions in Alaska.

Russia has accepted the invitation of the United States to conclude an arbitration treaty on the lines of the American-French treaty. The American proposal was submitted to Russia in the form of a note from Secretary Hay. Count Lamoriniere has accepted in principle the text of the treaty, but indicating that Russia would propose some slight modifications. The rapprochement is expected to have a splendid effect on Russo-American relations.

REWARD—\$30.00 (thirty dollars) will be paid to anyone giving information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who wilfully and maliciously destroyed the fence on our property on Catherine and Langford streets, on the night of the 23rd inst. Thos. Schubert, Richard Hall.

THE RAINY SEASON HAS STARTED—Now is the time to have your roof repaired. For general job work apply to Middleton Bros., 107 John street.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Association, etc., should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 28 Broad street, Victoria.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING—No mess from 50c. smoky chimneys cured; any kind of brick work done. Leave orders at Broughton street, shop repairing shop.

DON'T BE HUMBLED BY TITANIC FACTS if you want your chimneys cleaned. Go to the only capable and reliable chimney cleaner in Victoria, Wm. Neil, 32 Quadra street. Phone A381.

CONSULTING ENGINEER.
JNO. S. FIELDING, Hamilton, Ontario, consulting engineer. Specialty—Improved design of dams.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS.

Rates for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications, except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Time rates on application.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—A smart active lad. Apply immediately at Walt's Music Store.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Girl for general house work. Apply 24 Stanley Ave.

WANTED—A good dressmaker. Apply Post Office Box 307, Ladysmith.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—A position as janitor; would take charge of one or more buildings or offices; good references. Address Janitor, care of "Old Curiosity Shop," cor. Fort and Blanchard.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY—60 Rae street. Reliable servants always needed. Call between 11 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. Letters promptly answered. I. Devereux.

WANTED—Dressmaking or plain sewing, by the day. Corner Catherine and Edward streets, Victoria West.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Everybody in Victoria to buy first-class home-made toffee and candy from Hartley, the English candy maker, 74 Yates street.

WANTED—Carpenter's tools, trunks, coats of clothing, boots, shoes, etc., etc. Write or call on Jacob Aaronson's New and Second-Hand Store, 64 Johnson street.

WANTED—Photo-Engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaranteed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 28 Broad street, Victoria.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—Large stock of pianos at Hicks & Lovick Co.'s, 88 Government street.

FOR SALE—Two light wagons, suitable for farmers; one general purpose horse, 6 years old; one good young family cow. Apply Fisher's Blacksmith Shop, Store St.

FOR SALE—Cattle, puppies, dam, Woodman Ranger "Queenie," sire, McIntosh's cow family, "Princess," both first prize dogs. Apply 133 Douglas street, or 54 Fourth street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a gentle horse, harness and top buggy. Inquire at 55 Douglas St.

FOR SALE—Cheap, all-right heaters, ranges, stoves, tables, single and double beds, mattresses, bureaus, etc., at Old Curiosity Shop, cor. of Fort and Blanchard.

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TO LET.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO LET—Offices over the Imperial Bank, corner Yates and Government streets; 3, clean, well lighted, with or without furniture. Apply Bank or Norton Printers.

TO LET—Furnished bedroom for gentleman, with use of bath. Gordon Hotel, Yates street.

BED AND SITTING ROOM TO RENT—Private family, new house, modern. 50 Hayward avenue.

LEE & FRASER,
Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trousseau Avenue.

\$400 FOR GOOD BUILDING LOT, South Turner street.

\$100 EACH for 3 lots, 55x115 ft. each, Fernwood Estate.

HOUSES TO RENT in all parts of the city.

\$1,500 WILL PURCHASE fine cottage and large lot in James Bay.

FOUL BAY—On water front, 2 large lots, 60x150 each; \$150 each.

DISCOVERY STREET—16 cabins and lot 30x120 for \$1,000.

2 1/2 ACRES on Gordon Head road, with good house, barn, fruit trees; immediate possession; price \$1,400, and on terms.

2 1/2 LOTS on Dallas road, near Clover Point, for sale at a very low figure in order to close out an estate.

QUEEN'S AVE., near Chambers street, one large lot, \$225.

PRINCESS AVE., near Chambers, good building lot, \$225.

LINDON AVE.—Very large lot, only \$1,000.

GOOD 5 ROOMED COTTAGE, centrally located, with stable, electric light and sewer connection; a bargain for \$1,000.

FARMS AND FARMING LANDS FOR SALE—Cheap and on easy terms. Money to loan at low rates of interest. Fire and Life Insurance effected in first-class companies.

LEE & FRASER,
Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trousseau Avenue.

HEISTERMAN & CO.,
Real Estate and Insurance,
75 Government Street.

TO LET—Comfortable five roomed cottage, with all conveniences, immediate possession; rent \$15.

FOR SALE—Sixty acres best fruit land in B. C., only five miles from town; 40 acres cleared and under cultivation.

TO LET—Several good houses with modern conveniences.

BELCHER STREET—Choice building sites for sale; only a few left.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR.

CHAS. A. MCGREGOR, 95 Yates street. Jobbing trade a specialty. Twenty years experience. Orders promptly filled.

THOMAS CATERALL—16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 830.

CONTRACTORS.

ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings. Work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

CARRUTHERS, DICKSON & HOWES,
132 Johnson street, Grimsby, Ont., Victoria, and 1038 Richard street, Vancouver, manufacturers of show cases and stage fixtures in hard and soft wood; designs and estimates furnished.

CLEANING WORKS.

GENTS' SUITS CLEANED and pressed (equal to new). \$1.50. Lash, 104 View street, next corner Quadra.

OSTRICH FEATHERS, boas, trimming, etc., cleaned and curled by the best French method; feather boas made to order. Address Mrs. R. Wilson, 100 Pigeon street, successor to Mrs. H. W. Jones, 74 North Chatham street.

PAUL'S CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS, 120 Fort street. Lace Curtains and blankets a specialty. Phone 1012.

BEAUMONT BOGGS

Real Estate and Insurance
Agent, 400 St. St.

FOR SALE—144-acre farm, good house, barn, orchard, 35 acres cleared, water frontage; price \$2,000.

TO LET—200-acre farm, house, barn, and 50 acres cleared, with orchard, and river frontage; option to purchase.

FOR SALE—House and 3 lots, S. W. corner of Belmont and Pembroke streets; price \$1,200.

TO LET—For winter months, 7 roomed house at Oak Bay; rent \$8.

TO LET—Nice cottage, No. 12 South Turner street; immediate possession.

FOR SALE—Nice lot, Esquimalt road; price \$225.

FOR SALE—9 1/2 acres splendid land on North Dairy Farm, 3 miles from Port Esquimalt, mostly cleared pasture; price \$675.

FOR SALE—Cottage on tram line, James Bay, close to Park, sewer, price \$1,550.

FOR SALE—Lot 20, Vye Estate, assessed \$180, price \$150. Lot 21, Block 26, Fernwood, assessed \$250, price \$250.

HOUSES OR COTTAGES BUILT on monthly payment plan, under best architects and by competent builders.

FIRE INSURANCE—On buildings or contents, written in the "Guardian" (British). Write for rates.

P. R. BROWN CO., Ltd.
30 BROAD STREET.

FOR SALE—Douglas Gardens; the only choice lots on the market. Price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Bevens avenue, corner, 7 roomed dwelling, with cellar and attic, nice garden with 6 fruit trees in bearing; only \$1,800.

FOR SALE—10 acres, Saanich district, small dwelling, barn, chicken houses, etc., 80 fruit trees, 1,000 strawberry plants in bearing, no rock; price \$1,000.

FOR SALE—10 roomed house and small lot, in centre of city, only \$1,000; all modern conveniences.

FOR SALE—Haywood avenue and Wallace street, two lots, well situated; open to offer.

FOR SALE—Fort street, near Cook street, double front lot, 60x120 feet, fine residential site; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—James Island, 165 acres, 30 acres cultivated, balance slashed and seeded, well watered, excellent run for sheep or cattle; cottage, barn, stables, sheep sheds, etc.; orchard of 112 trees; principally apples. Price \$2,500. This is very cheap.

TO LET—Orchard Hotel, containing 60 bedrooms, 5 parlors, bar, large dining room, kitchen, bakery, all fully furnished; will be let at a modest rent for a term of years.

ZYNKARA

THE GREAT
BOILER CLEANER

R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

B. C. AGENTS.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Nov. 30—5 a. m.—The storm area which was approaching the Coast yesterday is now spreading inland across Vancouver Island; it has caused a moderate southeast gale on the Straits for a few hours. Unsettled and rainy weather is general from the Lower Mainland to the Columbia river, and southerly gales prevail on the Coast. East of the Rockies the temperature is below zero from Swift Current to Winnipeg.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday.
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly to westerly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional rains.
Lower Mainland—Fresh to strong southerly to westerly winds, unsettled, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.42; temperature, 51; minimum, 48; wind, 32 miles S. E.; rain, .07; weather, cloudy.
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.50; temperature, 46; minimum, 40; wind, 6 miles S. E.; rain, .10; weather, rain.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, 34; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 56; minimum, 54; wind, 10 miles S. E.; rain, .10; weather, fair.
Edmonton—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, 4; minimum, 2; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, fair.

ONE TABLET AFTER EATING and what a world of distress would be saved. Dr. Stan's Pineapple Tablets cure sour stomach, distress after eating, weight in the stomach, wind on the stomach, loss of appetite, dizziness, nausea, and a dozen other troubles traceable to bad digestion. One Tablet gives instant relief. A positive and pleasant cure that nature has provided. 35 cents—128.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPORT.

A Change is Contemplated in Connection
With the Summer Holidays.

According to the report of the superintendent of education just issued the total enrollment in the High, Graded and Common schools was 25,787, an increase of 1,228. Of this number 13,330 were boys and 12,457 girls. The grand total daily attendance made by all the pupils enrolled was 3,484,327, an increase of 169,000. The grand total daily attendance was 3,428,220, an increase of 168,245. The average actual daily attendance was 17,000, an increase of 703.

High schools were maintained at Chilliwack, Cumberland, Grand Forks, Kamloops and Revelstoke, respectively. The enrollment of high schools was 381 boys and 600 girls. The great preponderance of girls is accounted for by the fact that these schools are largely preparatory schools for teachers, and the percentage of women engaged in the public schools is increasing every year.

The report says that domestic science, which was introduced in the Victoria schools, has proven popular among parents and pupils alike. Ten classes of 20 girls from the high school and senior elementary school receive a lesson once a week.

The superintendent of education announces that the question of rearranging the dates for the opening and closing of the schools in connection with the summer holidays is under consideration, and an announcement will likely be made before the close of the present school year. He also says he sees no reason to change the opinion expressed three years ago that the time has not yet arrived for the establishment of a provincial university. The establishment of such a university would no doubt tend to foster a stronger provincial spirit, but whether at the same time it would tend to advance the cause of higher education in the Dominion is doubtful.

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The Best Cough Medicine.
ABSOLUTE SAFETY
should be rigorously insisted upon when buying medicine, for upon that depends one's life. ALLEN'S LUNG BAL-SAM contains NO OPIUM in any form and is safe, sure, and prompt in cases of COUGHS, COLDS, deep-seated COUGHS. Try it now, and be convinced.

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WATSON & HALL,
Phone 448. 55 Yates St.

DISCOVERY OF ODD
CAVE AT QUATSINOITS EXTENT HAS NOT
YET BEEN LEARNED

Men Spent Some Time Exploring Its Interior, and Will Continue Their Investigations.

News was brought from Quatsino through the arrival of the Queen City Monday of the discovery of an odd cave on the West Coast. Messrs. Philip Nordstrom, Geo. Nordstrom and Henry Sherberg were recently travelling on the Sound in an open boat when they happened to run across the strange subterranean channel. They had turned into shore to get some fresh water at a point five miles from the Narrows on the south side of the West Arm. George Nordstrom and Sherberg went ashore, leaving Philip Nordstrom to watch the boat. On landing they noticed a crevice in the side of a cliff close down to the salt water, into which they afterwards observed the tide ran freely.

Attracted by the queer formation the two crept through the opening and found that within there was a dark cavern which seemed to widen out as they entered. Procuring a lantern out of their boat, they proceeded to investigate further. Going again into the mysterious passage they retraced their steps in the same direction of the shoreline for about twenty feet. Then the channel opened out into a large chamber, which they explored as long as the oil in their lamp permitted. They had worked their way for about 200 feet, but could find in this distance no end to the cave. As their light gave out they had to temporarily abandon their search.

The men are intent on thoroughly exploring the cave, and when the Queen City left for Victoria they were arranging to undertake the task. They found a fair sized stream running through the cave, and a number of large boulders of granite were found on the floor. Rising from the coast line at the back of the cave is a mountain of limestone formation and altogether the find, mining men think, offers alluring possibilities.

Messrs. Calkins, Butler and Graham have been looking at the new strike on the Edison at Quatsino. The vein has been sampled, and if the assays are satisfactory a large force of men will be put to work in the spring.

A heavy gale on the night of November 18th blew seventy-one trees across the June trail and many on the Hardy Bay trail.

THE CATHOLIC BAZAAR.

Large Crowd Attended Fair at Institute Hall Last Evening.

There was a large attendance at the bazaar in progress under the auspices of the ladies of St. Andrew's cathedral at Institute hall yesterday. From the time the fair was formally declared open crowds thronged the building, and the ladies at the different booths did a lively business. However, of all the stalls, that which probably attracts most attention is a prettily decorated circular structure placed in the centre of the room. Here every variety of the choicest candy is for sale, and already a serious inroad has been made into the stock of sweetmeats provided for the occasion.

Next to the candy emporium the corner grocery store is the most popular. Crowds are attracted here by the splendid display of well chosen articles, things that are useful as well as valuable. Luncheon was served to-day from 12 to 2 p. m., and warm supper will be provided from 6 to 8 o'clock this evening. There will be no charge during the day, but to-night 10 cents will admit all who wish to attend.

MADE IN CANADA.

Clark's prepared meats in tins are made from the best Canadian stock, by Canadians, under the most perfect conditions. W. Clark, Mfr., Montreal.

Sells on Sight

Our Xmas Fruits have only to be seen to be appreciated. Their appearance is very pleasing, indeed.
And appearances in this case are not deceitful. Our

GROCERIES

Are just as good as they look and a great deal better. They are the kind that will win the approval of the entire family. Prices quoted the pure light.

WATSON & HALL,
Phone 448. 55 Yates St.

"SIS HOPKINS" AT THE
VICTORIA TO-NIGHTRose Melville Will Appear in Pretty
Pastoral Play—Attractions at
Other Theatres.

Rose Melville in her pretty pastoral play "Sis Hopkins" will be the attraction at the Victoria theatre this evening. A press criticism of the production: "Purity of tone, delicacy of sentiment, cleanliness of comedy, naturalness in delineation of the most complex stage character ever presented to the public; a quaint philosophy and a rugged rural honesty are the gems which make 'Sis Hopkins,' Miss Rose Melville's masterpiece of stage portraiture. With all this, the superb production which Miss Melville has made of J. R. Stirling's play, has given the play and the individual excellence of the company, accounts for the immense popularity which 'Sis Hopkins' has achieved—a popularity which does not admit of Miss Melville being seen in anything but her original creation, the funny little pig-tailed girl from Posey county."

"Michael Strogoft."
A crowd that packed the Redmond theatre witnessed the second performance of "Michael Strogoft" last evening. It is a significant circumstance that the company has entered on its third week and there has been no diminution in the patronage extended to it. Every evening a large number are turned away, and it is necessary for those who intend going to secure their seats in advance.

Last evening Mr. Redmond gave another strong portrayal of the role of Michael Strogoft, and as usual his support was excellent. Clyde Granger, as Ivan Ogereff, the villain, Theo. Bird, Rush Bronson, Rae Bronson and Pinkie Mullally gave clever presentations of their parts. A feature of the performance was the splendid arrangement of scenic settings, which was superior to that of many a company equipped with better facilities. A souvenir performance is in progress this afternoon.

To-night will witness the last performance of "Michael Strogoft."
Beginning with to-morrow evening, and continuing for the balance of the week, including the usual Saturday matinee, the jolly laughing success entitled "Prince Romiro," will be presented. There has been no comedy before the people that has enjoyed a greater record than this fun creator. It is simply a laugh from beginning to end. From the way seats are being reserved a packed house will be on hand to-morrow evening to enjoy the "Prince of Romiro."

Haverly's Minstrels.

Haverly's Minstrels, under the skillful management and exclusive supervision of that successful young theatrical manager, W. E. Nankeville, will be the attraction at the Victoria theatre to-morrow evening. This season's company, numbering nearly fifty people, is composed of artists, all of whom are graduates of their various branches, and represent the first ranks of minstrelsy. The programme, from first part to its termination, is refreshingly new and full of redeeming features, while the scenic and electrical investiture is beyond question the most magnificent and costly ever presented with an attraction of this class.

The season's bill includes, in addition to the "roll of honor," which includes the international novelty, Clayton, Jenkins and Jasper, the great Young Brothers, comedy acrobats; Mazier and Conley, comedians and parodists; the famous Haverly double act, and popular Jimmy Wall, the "Beau Brummell" of the comedy comedians. Grand street parade at 4:30 p. m.

The Pringle Company.

Large, well pleased audiences have been the rule at the Crystal this week, and "Only a Farmer's Daughter" has proved to be one of the best comedy dramas seen in Victoria at popular prices for several seasons. The Pringle Company give an excellent production, and another success has been scored by this company. A 10 cent matinee is being given this afternoon, and to-morrow night the screaming farce comedy, "A White Elephant," will be presented here. This play was used by Mr. Pringle as a high price attraction in the larger towns in the middle states, and was endorsed by press and public as one of the most interesting and laughable comedies ever presented in that territory. Expectancy has been taken with this production, and a performance well worth seeing is assured Crystal patrons. The box office is open from 12 to 4 every afternoon, and tickets can be purchased in advance for any performance during the week. Crystal prices are 10 and 25 cents, with matinees at 10 cents all over the house.

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MUTINY ON CAITHNESS-SHIRE.

The British ship Caithness-shire, which has visited this port on a number of occasions, has recently had trouble aboard. Mrs. Hill, the wife of the captain, has brought news to San Francisco that the vessel while on a voyage from Antwerp to Manzanillo not only escaped being seized by mutineers, but had a close call from being wrecked on the Mexican coast.

The crew rebelled while the vessel was in the grasp of a hurricane. They refused to do the officers' bidding, and seemed oblivious to the danger that threatened all on board. The wind was blowing with frightful velocity, and the officers of the vessel expected to see the masts torn out every moment. The repeated orders to shorten sail were not in the least responded to.

Capt. Hill, driven to desperation, drew his revolver and commanded the men to do his bidding. They faltered for a moment, and then set about to combat the gale. Mrs. Hill, realizing the unhappy condition of affairs on board, spoke kindly to the men, and was so influential that the rest of the trip was free of trouble.

While trying to get into the port of Manzanillo the Caithness-shire was only a few yards from striking the rocks. She had drifted shoreward, and after putting out four anchors, her progress was arrested. For days she remained in close proximity to the shore, and finally a small Mexican steamer happened along, and for \$50 towed the big vessel from her dangerous position into the harbor.

DAMAGED BY ICE.

As the result of the breaking of an ice jam in front of Dawson a fleet of eight steamers and four barges were thrown into confusion last week. A northern paper says the steamer Stude is raised high on her side and partly out of the water. The steamer Sarah, which was farthest up the slough, is now farthest down. The other boats are loose from their moorings or twisted out of position, and there is no telling how much damage has been sustained by each craft from grounding. The Stude's back may be seriously damaged. The backing water carried away perhaps 400 cords more of wood from the beach, and submerged much other wood. The total loss of wood reaches 500 cords. At the average value of \$10 a cord the wood losses reach \$5,000.

MARINE NOTES.

Purser S. C. Binns was not at his usual post of duty aboard the R. M. S. Empress of China when she sailed for the Orient on Monday evening. C. A. McLellan, assistant purser, is taking his place, and C. T. Tupper, clerk at the Hotel Vancouver, has gone in the latter's former position.

The British tramp steamer Inverness, which took a cargo of railway construction material from Tacoma for Korea, is on the beach at Mororan, Japan, according to a dispatch. Prior to loading at Tacoma the Inverness was in Esquimaut for a few weeks.

At the international live stock exhibition at Chicago, Tuesday, Byron Sterling, owned by Graham Bros., Claremont, Ont., was declared the champion Clydesdale stallion of any age.

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NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
WILLIAM M'DOWELL, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that all the creditors of the estate of the above named deceased are required, on or before the 1st day of December, 1904, to send particulars of their claims to the undersigned, duly verified, and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness forthwith.

Dated the 14th day of November, 1904.
H. E. A. COURTNEY,
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Solicitor for the Executors of Above Estate.

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WEST HASTINGS CASE.

The Colonist speaks falsely and with full knowledge of the falsity of its remarks when it says that the Ontario government, upon which should devolve the duty of prosecuting the case, is taking no part in pursuing those who are alleged to have conspired against the will of the electorate of West Hastings. The officials of the Ontario government and of the Dominion government are working together upon the case. There is much that is mysterious in it. We can fully believe the assertion that there are some sensations yet to be "pulled off." Here we have one brother with a grievance against another as well as a feeling that he has been wronged by the Ontario government, which refused to remit a fine imposed upon him for selling liquor without a license. The brother with resentful feelings conspires with a coterie of Conservatives to ruin the brother who is a candidate for the constituency of West Hastings for the House of Commons. The brother with ambitions, apparently without moral sense, and certainly without common sense if all that is alleged against him be true, conspires to defeat the will of the electorate by means of what has been termed "trick ballot boxes." So many conflicting stories have been told about these bogus boxes that the anxious inquirer for the truth must wait in patience for further revelations before making up his mind as to the veracity of the various witnesses.

Mr. E. Gus Porter, M. P., telegraphed a story all over the country on election day that a score or two of the boxes were in existence. We are not sure whether one has been found. It is quite certain that not one was used. The officials of the Dominion government performed their duties so faithfully, according to the testimony of hostile witnesses, that to introduce one of the machines into a polling booth was an impossibility. Other witnesses for the prosecution are agreed that the trick could not have been played upon the boxes without any scrutiny observing the suspicious workings of the levers. When all the facts have been ascertained—and be it noted that there are two governments concerned which are fully determined to get at the truth—when it has been demonstrated that the intent of Lott and his fellow-conspirators was felonious, such punishment will be inflicted as will tend to convince unscrupulous politicians that tampering with ballot boxes is a crime against the commonwealth which must be put down regardless of consequences to the offenders.

At the same time, it may be well to suspend judgment until the case has been sifted. Charges of crooked work were laid against voters in Montreal. The courts ordered the discharge of the suspects with entire costs to the prosecution. Even if Lott and the others charged with conspiracy be convicted, the fact will remain that their designs were frustrated by the vigilance of the Dominion election officials, and that the federal contest under Liberal auspices was one of the cleanest ever fought in any country.

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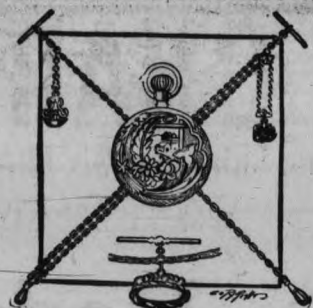
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W. J. Bowser, M. P., who acts in the Legislature as though wisdom made her habitation right in his chair, is being sued in the courts for libel. The suit in itself is a marvel, if not actually a miracle. Newspapers are usually the victims of the law of libel and of court costs. But the astonishing feature of the proceedings in the case against Mr. Bowser thus far—if we may say so without incurring the risk of contempt—has been the confession of the defendant in the witness box. Mr. Bowser has publicly admitted that he knows nothing at all. In his head is a complete vacuum as regards any knowledge of the language he used when he committed the alleged libel against Mr. Wade. We hope this confession will not be brought up in reproach against the member for Vancouver when the members are again gathered together and wisdom has taken up her usual abode on the noble brow and bumpiness exceeding that of a Tupper characterises the demeanor of Mr. Bowser.

The reasons the people of British Columbia refuse to regard seriously the demand for "better terms," are (a) because the federal government has fulfilled to the letter the terms of union; (b) because the McBride government will attempt to excuse its failure as an administration upon the ground that the revenue is inadequate for the needs of the province, and should be supplemented by further grants from the federal treasury; and (c) because the present Liberal government's programme contemplates the expenditure of much more money for the development of this province than will be received in revenue from the province.

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These samples are already creating lots of interest, and the entire lot will be ready Thursday morning. Think of all the shopping to be done and Christmas only three weeks away—it almost takes one's breath away to see the days before Xmas go flying past. It is so easy to put things off, that Xmas Bells will be ringing before we know it. Don't miss reading the items in any of our advertisements this month, if you want to participate in some remarkable values, and also be helped in your Xmas shopping.

Our Xmas Sale Commences Thursday Morning

It is our usual custom at the Xmas Sale to reduce Silks, Jackets and High-Class Novelties in the various departments. This along with our store full of Holiday Goods will make buying very interesting for the next three weeks.

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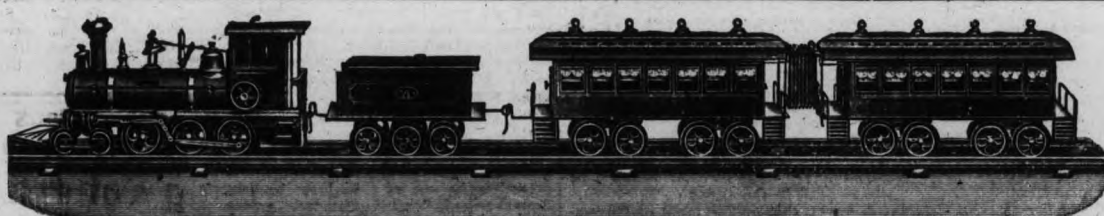
If regular prices of materials used had been changed, these Hats would be marked \$8.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00. We have trimmed 100 Hats especially for the first week of December, and, in addition to this, we have added nearly all the Trimmed Hats in the show room that yesterday were marked \$7.50 to \$15.00, and they all go at \$5.00 each. No two in the collection are exactly alike, and they show the same exclusive style and trimming that characterizes our most expensive Hats.

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Thirty expensive models, all silk-lined; colors fawns, greys and black, length 24 and 26 inches; trimmed straps, belts and cloth trimming, etc. Prices \$17.50 and \$20.00. Thursday, each \$10.00

Christmas Neckwear for Men

Neckties—About the only thing besides Waistcoat and Socks in which a man may let his fancy as to color run riot. Plenty of ways here—from grave to gay, from sedate to sporty. Browns and purples are shown a great deal—mostly figured objects in these kinds, then a great range of colors in bands, 2, 2½ and 3½ inches, 50c. and 75c. each. English Squares, 50c., 75c. and \$1.00. Actually 1,000 dozen Ties purchased for this month's business.

Handkerchiefs

Some interesting news about Ties in a couple of days. Always welcome gifts. Always useful purchases. All linen and all silk. Many more sorts and these. Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 10c., 15c., 25c., 50c. and 80c. Men's Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, with initials, 25c., 50c., 75c. and \$1.00. Women's Silk Handkerchiefs, with initial, 15c. Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 12½c. to 50c. each. We are also selling a lot of Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, a special lot, various widths in boms, that sell regularly at \$3.00 to \$6.00, for \$2.00 per dozen.

Xmas Neckwear for Sending Away Presents

Linen Turnover Collars, embroidered in washable colors. New York styles, prices 25c., 35c. and 40c. Collars embroidered in silk Persian effects. Prices 35c. to 65c. Japanese Drawn Work Turnover Collars, in pure bleached linen. Price 25c. Hand-made Battenberg Collars, made from the fine sheer brand. Price 50c.

Baskets

Work Baskets, Prices 25c. to \$2.00. Waste Paper Baskets, Prices \$1.00 to \$3.00. Round shapes, square shapes and oval shapes. Fancy Department. Cushions made to order. All styles in Pin Cushions made to order. Handkerchief Cases, Glove Cases, Necktie Cases, made to order. All kinds of Fancy Needle Work done on the premises. Brush and Comb. Hair Sets. Roger & Gallet's Perfumes.



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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

—Take in a supply of "SLAB WOOD" before the wet weather sets in. To be had at Lemon, Gomonson & Co.'s mills. Telephone 77. Prompt delivery.

—Get it at Wellers.

—H. H. Abbott, 86 Government street, is the man to see before purchasing your tickets to the Old Country. He is agent for all lines.

—Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

IT WILL PAY YOU

To buy your Xmas Gifts, etc., at the B. C. Drug Store, 27 Johnson street, and take advantage of the big reductions offered for the next few days.

J. TEAGUE
PHONE 356.

—The Victoria Creamery Association wishes to inform their patrons that they have been fortunate enough to engage a thoroughly up-to-date buttermaker from the Eastern dairy schools, thereby guaranteeing better butter than ever. Patronize home industry, and keep your home in your own town.

STEAMER "WHATCOM."

Victoria to Seattle.
Single fare \$2.00.
Round trip \$3.50.
Daily except Sunday, 8 p. m.

—Boiling Water five minutes after you turn on the Switch, if you use one of our New Electric Disc Heaters. We don't want to encourage laziness, but just think how handy this is. Really economical and useful. Let us show you them. The Hinton Electric Co.

—Buy your teas and coffees from Hallam & Wychman, Ltd., 25 Government, opposite post office, and save your premium tickets for a Christmas present.

EVERY LADY

—A good Perfume. If you want some good and new try Yvonne, Sweet and Blossoms. It is a winner. You will buy a full ounce bottle. Telephone 456. Will send it for you.

—FAWCETT'S FAMILY DRUG STORE, Cor. Douglas Street and King's Road.

—?—Settle the Xmas. present question by having a dozen portraits taken at the Skene Lowe studio.

—Fire, Life, Marine and Accident Agency, Travelers' Life and Accident Insurance Company. Tickets 25c, a day. Lowest rates for marine insurance on hulls or cargo. Agency, Lloyd's underwriters, Office, Wellington Coal agency, Atlantic S.S. lines, Hall-Geipel Co., 100 Government St. Tel. call 83.

—Go to the Senate saloon for oyster cocktails.

—It is believed that the barkentine Quikstap, which is now drifting a derelict on the coast, will eventually be deposited on the Vancouver Island shore line. The plight of the barkentine was mentioned in yesterday's Times. She is waterlogged and rudderless, and drifting in this direction, following the course of many other wrecks, which, guided by wind and current, were carried to these shores.

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NO. 2 VIEW ST.

—Hey, laddie! Dinna forget the grand Haggis Supper and Scotch Concert in the A. O. U. W. hall this evening at 5.30 o'clock.

—The Daughters of St. George are requested to attend the funeral of Sister Mrs. Wagg's husband at 2.30 on Thursday from the residence.

—The regular fortnightly dance of the Royal Engineers' Quadrille Club will take place to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. It will be held at Work Point barracks.

—There will be a full rehearsal of the entire opera "Dorothy" with orchestra, on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, at A. O. U. W. hall. A full attendance is compulsory.

—The regular meeting of Columbia lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., will be held this evening, when important business to the order will be brought forward. The regular degree will be conferred. All members are particularly requested to attend.

—The quarterly official board of Victoria West Methodist church met on Monday evening, and decided that the appropriation for pastor's salary would be \$600 for the year, and he to pay his own house rent. Under these conditions it is not expected that the present pastor will return for another year.

—The friends of the W. C. T. U. Mission, 17 Johnson street, will be glad to know that the free labor bureau has been furthered by the installation of a telephone. It will forward the work of temperance in this city if business men and others wishing to secure male help will call No. 1,124.

—Yesterday afternoon the funeral of Miss Amelia Burgess took place at 2.30 o'clock from Hayward's Undertaking Parlor. Religious services were conducted by Rev. H. J. Wood. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends and many floral tributes. The following acted as pall-bearers: R. Hall, M. P. P.; A. H. Goodacre, J. York, J. H. Melham, E. J. Parsons and A. H. Kinsman.

—A deputation waited upon the government yesterday respecting the preservation of water rights on the Koksilah river and Shawanigan lake. The deputation opposed the privileges proposed to be granted to the B. C. Electric Railway Company. It was urged that the company should be required to monopolize the available water privileges on the Koksilah river. The government promises to consider the matter.

—Five alien Japanese from Stevenson were arrested on Whidby Island on Saturday morning by United States government immigration officers. The men were in a small sloop, and had taken shelter from a storm in a lagoon near Race's ranch. When a steam tug with United States Immigration Inspector Ferdinand on board hove in sight two of the Orientals took to the woods, and could not be found. The remaining five were covered with a shotgun in the hands of one of the boat's officers before they could escape.

—At Bishopscote yesterday afternoon a missionary meeting was held, there being a good attendance. Rev. R. J. Bowen delivered an address on the origin and development of the work under Bishop Bonpas, of Selkirk diocese, which includes a large area in northern Canada and the Klondike district. A branch of the Woman's Auxiliary for missionary work will be established. This was decided after Rev. Mr. Bowen's remarks. It was agreed that another meeting would be held on Wednesday, December 7th, to elect officers.

—In the Full court sitting in Vancouver the appeal in Kieckhefer vs. McKenzie was heard. Judgment was reserved. The original action was to recover \$173, alleged by plaintiff to be due from defendant for hire of a certain scow. Defendant alleged that there had been certain false representations by plaintiff as to the seaworthiness of the scow, which caused plaintiff to enter into the agreement and defendant's counterclaim for \$262.50 damages for loss of freight owing to the unseaworthiness of the scow. This action came on for trial before Judge Henderson, who gave judgment for plaintiff for amount claimed. From this judgment the present appeal was taken. A. D. Taylor appeared for appellant (defendant), and J. N. Ellis for respondent (plaintiff).

—The High school entrance examinations will be held on Monday week, December 12th.

—The local agent of the Great Northern railway has been notified that the monster liner Minnesota will sail for the Orient between January 15th and 20th.

—The teacher and pupils of Sidney school desire to express their sincere thanks to the following ladies and gentlemen who very kindly contributed several handsome volumes to the library of the school: Mrs. J. J. White, Mrs. George Cudde, Master Harry Critchley, Capt. Riley and Alexander Robinson, B. A., superintendent of education.

—Mrs. Gleason has consented to give an electionary recital under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., and in aid of the Johnson street mission. Among those contributing vocal selections will be Mrs. Gideon Hicks, J. G. Brown and W. D. Kingbird. It will take place some time early in the new year. Fuller particulars will be given later.

—To-day is St. Andrew's Day, and Scotsmen will honor it to-night with the usual loyal enthusiasm. The recently organized St. Andrew's Society will gather around the festive board in Sir William Wallace hall, where they will make merry. In A. O. U. W. hall there will be a Scotch concert, with an excellent programme will be given.

—Manager Steers is confident that a large enough subscription will be raised by to-night to justify him in bringing Marino, the violinist, here to give a recital on Friday night. Quite a large number of well-known musical people have informed the manager that they will exert themselves to the utmost to have the talented young virtuoso repeat the splendid entertainment he gave a short time ago. Should Marino come he will be accompanied by a fine cello player, a solo pianist and a soprano soloist.

—The members of the I. C. C. Society have nearly completed preparations for the daily sale to be given at the Aged and Infirmed Woman's Home on Friday afternoon from 2 to 6 o'clock. The proceeds will be devoted to the home and the Protestant Orphanage. Last year the ladies realized quite a substantial sum, with which they carried out some needed improvements at the home. This year they expect to do equally well if not better, and they base their expectation on the worthy cause for which the sale is to be given.

—Chas. H. Yale's "Everlasting Devil's Auction," which is now announced as presenting the twenty-third edition of this wonderful show piece, is announced as a forthcoming attraction at the Victoria on Saturday next. Manager Yale states that most elaborate changes have been made in the latest edition in the way of new and very capable artists, magnificent scenic accessories, superb costumes, attractive ballets, newly imported European features, special and exclusive vaudeville novelties, and the most elaborate transformation scene called "Amor" ever presented in this country.

—On Friday evening next the fifth lecture of the Victoria College lecture course will be given by F. Moore, B.Sc., the chemical expert of the Victoria Chemical Works. The lecture, which will be illustrated by a large number of experiments, will deal with some of the most interesting of the recent discoveries of science, such as X-ray, radium and wireless telegraphy. Mr. Moore will bring with him a specimen of radium, and will illustrate some of its wonderful effects. No one of those who wish to keep up to date in their general knowledge of scientific progress should fail to hear this lecture.

—A letter has been received from George Denny, formerly city editor of the Times and Colonist, but now Associated Press correspondent with the Russian forces in Manchuria. Mr. Denny was in the thick of the great battle of Yental, in which Kourapatkin was beaten after making an extensive aggressive movement. He was stationed on a hill, and had a splendid view of the struggle, in which the loss of life was terrible. Mr. Denny says that one such experience is enough for him, as the sensation of shells bursting all around one was the reverse of pleasant.

—On Monday and Tuesday next in the Victoria theatre a company of clever amateurs organized by Mrs. Bridges will present the familiar comic opera "Dorothy," and judging by the rehearsals first-class performances may be looked forward to. J. M. Finn has undertaken the direction of the production, or rather the musical part of it, while the stage department has been in good hands. Some beautiful costumes have been secured, and the opera will be presented with special settings. It is hoped that the performances will be accorded liberal patronage, to encourage the young amateurs, among whom there is a great deal of histrionic talent.

PROPOSED MALTING HOUSE.

Henry Reifel, of Nanaimo, Ready to Co-operate With Farmers in This Undertaking.

Henry Reifel, manager of the Union Brewery Company, of Nanaimo, has returned from a trip to California. While in the south Mr. Reifel submitted to experts samples of the barley grown on the Western Fuel Company's farm, who examined them with a view to testing the fitness of the local product for conversion into malt. The results of the experiments were most satisfactory, and Mr. Reifel was assured that the barley grown at Nanaimo was admirably adapted to the purpose mentioned.

Mr. Reifel proposes, if the farmers will grow sufficient barley, to erect at a cost of \$10,000 a malting plant capable of handling about a thousand tons. This means that over a thousand acres of land would have to be sown in barley next spring to meet the demand thus created. There are about 3,000 tons of malt used annually in the province upon which duty is paid.

A church of solid coral is a curiosity of the Isle of Mahe. This island, rising 3,000 feet, is the highest of the Seychelles group in the Indian ocean, and its buildings are all from square blocks hewn from massive coral and glistening like white marble.

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42 GOVERNMENT STREET.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Chester M. Spore, Miss Edith Spore and Miss L. W. Shafer, of Phoenixville, Pa., arrived from the East yesterday and are registered at the Dominion. They intend spending a week in Victoria. After leaving here they will make an extended tour of Southern California. They have already made excursions to Esquimalt, Beacon Hill and other points, and are delighted with this place.

A. C. Lochard, of St. Thomas, Ont.; Wm. Green, J. M. Allingham, S. M. Major, D. G. Cunningham and F. B. Pemberton were among the arrivals from Vancouver last evening, by the Princess Victoria.

C. Malmo, a wholesale florist of Seattle, arrived from the Sound yesterday and is among the guests at the Dominion hotel. He is here arranging for a large supply of holly for the Christmas season. Mr. Malmo will spend several days in the city.

P. Herman, E. E. Billingshurst, O. E. Green, J. M. Allingham, S. M. Major, D. G. Cunningham and F. B. Pemberton were among the arrivals from Vancouver last evening, by the Princess Victoria.

A. J. Camble and G. F. Williams, of Vancouver, J. E. Edgar, of San Francisco; H. B. Morley, of Toronto; David Gilmore, of Seattle; and Blackie Young, of Chicago, are at the Delard.

M. B. McGowan and family and Jas. Monahan, of Spokane; W. F. Holland, of Vancouver; and Mrs. F. Holland and children and Miss Boswell, of Winnipeg, are at the Delard.

F. C. Belson, W. R. Robertson, H. W. Stokes, of Duncan; and R. McGuire, of Vancouver, are guests at the Victoria hotel.

C. E. Fowler, of the Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging Company, is in the city, a guest at the Delard.

Louie F. Norie, of Cowichan, and John Burns, of Vancouver, are staying at the New England.

P. McLagan, of Vancouver, is in the city. He is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Geo. Gray and Will. Gray, in advance of "The Devil's Auction," are at the Delard.

Mrs. J. C. Tait, of Watsonville, is staying at the Delard.

H. Burchell and wife, of Thetis Island, are at the Vernon.

R. C. Lowe returned from Vancouver last evening.

Jacob S. Coxe, of Mount Vernon, celebrated as the leader of the "Commonweal" army, has filed a personal petition in bankruptcy in the United States court at Columbus, Ohio. His liabilities are given at \$287,000. His assets consist of 2,500 shares of stock in the Coxe Steel & Silica Sand Company, and an unsecured note for \$11,000. The Coxe Steel & Silica Sand Company is now in the hands of a receiver.

Eminent Physicians Endorse this Method of Curing Catarrh.

Leading specialists agree that the only way to cure catarrh is to treat the diseased tissues direct. Blood purifiers, cocaine powders and greasy sprays don't reach the affected parts.

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50c. Will Buy 6 Collars and a Shirt on Thursday Morning.

One Shirt and Six Linen Collars All For 50c

On Thursday 8.30 a. m.



The Shirts have all sizes in the lot; they are \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.40 and \$1.50 Shirts in up-to-date styles—and with every Shirt will be given a half dozen fine Linen Collars, averaging in price from 15c. to 25c. each. On sale Thursday morning at 8.30 o'clock at

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It's a luxury to wear Fit-Reform Clothes. There's a style, an elegance, an exclusiveness about them that can't be equalled at their price—nor bettered at any price.

It's economy to wear Fit-Reform Clothes because they hold their shapeliness and good looks—because they give more service and satisfaction than any other garments you can buy.

Suits, - - \$12 to \$30.
Trousers, \$3.50 to \$6.

Fit-Reform

ALLEN & CO., - 73 Government St.

Good Goods Cheap Blygh's December Store News White Hucks-back 20c.

BLYGH'S

December Dry Goods Sale Starts - Thursday, December 1st -

10 Cases New Goods opened for our December Sale. Things we have been out of are here again, and cheaper than ever. We are trying to make December the crowning month of our business here. These prices will do it:

December Sale Prices

25 Hats in Ladies' and Children's; worth regular to \$3.50. All at one price, \$1.00 each.

25 Men's Umbrellas, curved handle, steel rod, fast black cover; regular \$1.25. Sale, 75c.

500 yards of Dress Goods, in plain and fancy tweeds; worth regular to 90c. Sale, 25c. yard.

175 Men's White and Colored Top Shirts; worth to \$1.25 each. December sale, 50c. each.

No need to mention our small wares list, as every woman knows it is just half the other stores' prices.

December Sale Prices

In the Staple Department

1,000 yards of Prints, Gingham, Muslins, etc.; just in to go on sale Thursday, 5c. yard.

500 yards pretty Waisting flannel; worth to 25c. Sale Thursday, 10c. yard.

150 yards of Gray Flannel; worth 20c. yard. Sale Thursday, 10c. yard.

500 yards of Cretonnes and Satens; worth up to 25c. Sale Thursday, 12c. yard.

White Roller Towelling; worth 10c. for 5c.

150 yards White Nun's Veiling, fancy silk mixtures and plain flannels; worth to 75c. Sale, 25c. yard.

December Sale Prices

25 Jackets; worth up to \$15.00 each. At the December Sale, \$5.00.

10 Skirts; worth to \$5.00 each. December Price, \$2.50.

Five German Otter Furs, with sable tails; regular \$15.00. December Sale, \$5.00 each.

25 Waists in silk and flannel; worth to \$5.00. December Sale, \$2.00 each.

15 Caps, Raincoats and Jackets; worth to \$10.00 each. December Sale, \$2.50 each.

BLYGH'S

Opposite Redfern's Jewelry Store

Sewing Cotton in Again, all Sizes 3 for 10 Cents.

1000 Spools Silkine On Sale To-Morrow 3 for 10 Cents.

WOULD LIKE TO SUPPLY THE PIPE

REPRESENTATIVE OF
A FACTORY IN CITY

Pacific Coast Pipe Company is After
Contract—Merits of Its Product
—Widely Used.

It will not be very long before the city council is in a position to make some announcement on the water question. As the Times has frequently pointed out, an important move is contemplated, and doubtless the matter will be the main issue in the forthcoming municipal elections. It will be recalled that a couple of years ago the subject of improvements to the sewerage system played a conspicuous part in the campaign, and it is gratifying to note that the assurances given by Mr. McCandless, and Mr. Barnard, who was then a candidate for alderman, and others have been carried out to the letter. If the promises of the water question are implemented as well next year the citizens will be able to contemplate two of the most important municipal achievements accomplished in many years, namely, the material extension of the sewer system and the installation of an adequate waterworks system.

The improvement of the water system will necessarily involve a considerable sum, but the authorities can be depended upon to adopt the most economical means consistent with efficiency. Should the Goldstream plan be carried out the greatest expense will be in the mains and their laying. In dealing with this matter the council will determine which quality of pipe will be the best, for they are determined that there shall be no bungling in the reformation of the waterworks system. Already pipe manufacturers are in the field. G. S. B. Perry, of the Pacific Coast Pipe Co., Ltd., of Vancouver, has made several trips to this city in connection with the matter. A Times representative accompanied him yesterday on the question of pipe.

"Our company," he said, "which has a large factory on False Creek, produces a pipe that is employed for water main purposes in many cities. It is a kind of pipe, clear and absolutely free from knots, sap and pitch pockets. The timber is carefully selected, and a home product exclusively. In our case it is unnecessary to go beyond the boundaries of the province for the material, and I claim that our pipe, wound with heavily galvanized English steel wire is vastly cheaper and just as durable as any other kind. The steel wire is wound about the pipe at such a tension that any flaws there may be in it will be closed in the winding. As a final process the pipe is rolled in hot tar and asphalt as a preservative. The wooden stave pipe goes together more easily than any other material, and the joints are also



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contains all the medicinal virtues of several apples, oranges, figs and prunes. In eating fruit, the part that does you good is almost counterbalanced by the indigestible pulp.

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lately unbreakable. Then it has a perfect double "V" joint commended by all engineers as the most effective made.

"The Pacific Coast Pipe Co., Ltd., represents a large investment, and has supplied most of the wooden pipe used in this province. A similar pipe is being widely used on the other side of the line. Seattle has thirty miles of it; Spokane thirty—some of which, by the way, we supplied, and in Idaho, Montana and Colorado it is also employed. Our company has supplied Trout Lake, Coleman, Alberta, Lethbridge, Calgary, Red Deer, and has received the highest recommendations. Mining people use it altogether. The Rossland Power Company's big concentrator at Trail, which by the way is the largest concentrator in America, has four miles of fourteen-inch wooden main supplied by the Pacific Coast Pipe Company, while we have just furnished the Trail smelter with two miles of sixteen-inch main. Vancouver has used wooden pipe for extensions almost entirely this year. It will stand any head pressure, and the Pacific Coast Pipe Company is willing to give a positive guarantee and execute a satisfactory bond that the pipe will be found to answer the purpose in every particular."

Mr. Perry has interviewed the Mayor and some of the aldermen on the subject, but the question has not yet reached that stage which brings the matter of pipe into consideration.

SNAKES IN PARLIAMENT.

Portugal Official Discovers a Nest of Cobras—Great Alarm.

Great alarm was caused in the upper house of parliament by the discovery of a nest of cobras, says a Lisbon dispatch. They were disturbed by a secretary, who was removing some books, and scurried away in all directions. The secretary fled from the room, and excitedly shouted to the attendants for help.

It was some time before a man could be found bold enough to enter the place. Finally a gentleman armed himself with a club, and, cautiously opening the door, stepped inside. He dispatched four of the snakes, which had made themselves comfortable in various parts of the room, and a careful search failed to discover more. Owing to the quantity of books and papers lying about, the staff are not very confident that all were caught, and are in a state bordering on terror lest they should be bitten by one of the venomous reptiles.

The other evening a countryman going into an entertainment in Aberdeen, having paid his admission money at the pay-box, received a ticket, and when asked for it by the collector at the door, replied: "Oh, man, I've only new gotten it."

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

A fatal accident occurred at Cloverdale last week. Jacob Reed had been missing since last Tuesday, and on Sunday his body was found floating in the Nicomeki river. He was about 27 years of age. The coroner's jury returned an open verdict of "found drowned."

VANCOUVER.

The city council at its meeting on Monday evening voted down the reconsideration of the by-law to borrow \$50,000 for the improvement of English Bay, which was asked for by a large delegation.

"A Chinaman, one of nine ordered to be deported on the Empress of China, escaped from the C. P. R. detention shed on Sunday night, and has, so far, not been captured. By his escape the company is liable for the \$500 head tax, which it has had to pay on two previous occasions this year."—News-Advertiser.

Among the passengers who left for the Orient by the Empress of China Monday was Rev. W. A. Robins, of Greenwood, who has commenced a trip round the world, via Japan, Singapore, India, the Red Sea, etc., on his way to his old home in England. Before leaving Greenwood he was presented by his parishioners with a purse containing \$300, as a mark of esteem, the Sunday school scholars also giving him a handsome walking stick.

To assist their country in its struggle against Russia, several hundred Japanese will leave here within the next few weeks. The first detachment left Monday for Japan to join the Mikado's army. They numbered 150, and will go direct to Yokohama by the Empress of China, whence they will proceed to Tokio. Of that number 110 came from Portland, Ore., arriving here on Sunday, via the Northern Pacific. The Japanese, when questioned regarding their rather hurried trip home, stated that they go in response to individual summons.

Frederick Buscombe has consented to stand for mayor of Vancouver.

ROSSLAND.

The ore shipments for the past week were almost 6,000 tons, and would have been larger had the roads been better, so that the Jumbo could have shipped its regular quantity. As it was, the quantity shipped by the Jumbo was cut down one-half. The White Bear has had its trouble with its motor, and this resulted in no shipments. The Velvet-Portland will rejoin the list of shippers during the next few days. There are nearly 500 tons of concentrates at the mine awaiting shipment, and the intention is to rush these to the smelter as rapidly as possible. The concentrators now have plenty of water, and are being crowded to the limit of their capacity. The most important event of the week was the finding of large ore bodies on two of the levels of the Josie mine, which is operated by the Le Roi No. 2, and which are considered valuable by the management. The shipments for the week ending on Saturday were: Le Roi, 2,365 tons; Centre Star, 700 tons; milled, 700 tons; War Eagle, 500 tons; milled, 240 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 380 tons; Jumbo, 240 tons; total for the week, 5,985 tons, and for the year, 313,388 tons.

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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Not more than \$200 acre can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered minerals in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein. The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a royalty of 2 1/2 per cent of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, \$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims, whether bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where stream power is needed, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has more than one claim, one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased, payable at the rate of two and a half per cent, collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, \$100 per mile for first year and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek, or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notice. Entry must be obtained within thirty days of the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction. The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a claim is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty is charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold and receive a grant of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least \$200.

A certificate that work has been done, must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands and waters in the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having an interest in the land to be prospecting an area of 1,920 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of \$1 an acre, and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of \$3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Dept. Interior.

NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, being petitioners for the Incorporation of the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a Municipality, hereby give notice of our intention to apply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for Letters Patent under the Public Seal incorporating the Districts of Victoria, Lake and South Saanich into a District Municipality (excepting only such portions thereof as form Indian Reservations), under the name of The Corporation of the District of Saanich. ANDREW STRACHAN, J. STEWART, JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer of my license for the sale of wine and liquors by retail upon the premises situated at the corner of View and Douglas streets, in the City of Victoria, and known as the "Imperial Bar," to Charles W. Cappeimann. Dated the 12th day of November, 1904. DAVY.

Attorney-in-Fact for Jacob J. Schmidt.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next sitting for a transfer of the retail liquor license now held by me in respect of the premises situated on Lot 270, Victoria, known as the Hall Saloons, to Charles Tull. JOSEPH MAYER.

By His Attorney in Fact, A. W. Jones, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 11th, 1904.

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WRITES FROM SIMPSON.

Letter From Capt. Hackett Reports the

Quadra at That Port.

Capt. Hackett, of D. G. S. Quadra,

about which vessel an alarming and mis-

chievous report has been circulated and

published in a number of American pa-

pers, has written to the agent of the

marine and fisheries department in this

city from Port Simpson. The letter

bears last Sunday's date, on which day

the ship was at Port Simpson, having

delivered supplies to all the lightships

up to that point. At Egg Island the

Quadra was four days in delivering the

supplies for that station, because of the

stormy weather, which had been dis-

agreeable throughout the voyage. While

on the Skeena the steamer will land the

material for the new Birnie Island sta-

tion, and will not return to Victoria for

several days yet.

ARRIVES FROM CHILE.

Steamer Menes is Landing Nitrate For

the Victoria Chemical Works.

The steamship Menes arrived at the

outer wharf this evening to discharge

300 tons of nitrate brought from a small

port in Chile. The freight is consigned

to the Victoria Chemical Works.

The Menes belongs to the Kosmos

Steamship line, which is now operating

ten or twelve ships on this coast. The

vessels are loaded at some European

port in starting out, but usually come no

further north than San Francisco. In

fact the best of the fleet are those which

only come as far as Colton.

The Menes stopped at San Francisco

to land cargo for that port, and on the

voyage north sighted only a four-master

in tow heading for the straits.

YALE-CARIBOO.

Returns Received From Number of Poll-

ing Places in Similkameen.

Returns were received to-day from a

number of polling places in Yale-Cariboo.

The totals at present follow: Ross,

Liberal, 1,705; Burrell, Conservative,

1,635; Mills, Socialist, 405. The additional

returns are:

Ross, Burrell, Mills.

Princeton 11 9 0

Keremec 25 20 10

Hedley 45 28 13

Granite Creek 2 2 0

Thyne's 2 1 0

Nickel Plate 4 3 0

Otter Flat 7 2 1

Volg's 5 1 0

H. W. Northcott, assistant secretary of

the Young Men's Christian Association,

leaves this evening to attend the fifth

annual convention of the Washington as-

sociation, which takes place at Belling-

ham on Thursday to Sunday. A lengthy

programme of interesting and instructive

papers is announced for each day. The

delegates will be entertained by Belling-

ham citizens. On Thursday evening they

are invited to a banquet.

Most Rev. Alex. Christie, D. D., Arch-

bishop of Oregon, is visiting the city.

Archbishop Christie preceded Archbishop

Orth as Bishop of the Vancouver diocese,

which was subsequently raised to an arch-

diocese.

A Paris dispatch says: "The first

tribunal of the Seine has decided in

favor of Countess Casykowsky, formerly

Miss Edith L. Collins, of New York, and

a great-granddaughter of Commodore

Vanderbilt, in her application for a sepa-

ration from her husband, Count Camy-

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LOCAL NEWS

—The steamer Princess-Victoria left

Vancouver at 1.20 this afternoon, after

connection with the train from the East.

—An interesting billiard match took

place at the Driford hotel last evening,

the contestants being F. R. Sargison

and Dr. Proctor. They were even at

240 points, but the former then ran out

victoriously with a cannon and pocket.

The struggle was witnessed by a crowd

of enthusiasts.

—The Native Sons held a very enjoy-

able gathering last evening. An excel-

lent programme was rendered, consisting

of a concert solo by James Douglas, solos

by Basil Prior and Frank Higgins, violin

and piano duet by the sons of Chief

Tom Watson, and other numbers. Re-

freshments were served during the evening.

—This evening a social will be held at

the Y. M. C. A. rooms, at which K.

Langdon, B. A., will deliver a short

lecture on the Frank disaster. A pro-

gramme of musical selections, recita-

tions, etc., will be rendered. Among

those who will assist are the following:

Miss Underhill, Miss Lawrence, Miss

Scovcroft, Miss Fisher, Miss N. Mc-

Donald, and Messrs. Curtis, Mayer and

Eyre. Toffee will be served during the

evening.

—A Chinese vegetable wagon had an

interview with a town-bound tram car

at the corner of Cook and Fort streets

shortly before 8 o'clock this morning.

With disastrous results to the wagon.

The driver rashly attempted to cross the

track, having either not heard the bell

or ignored it, and the car neatly removed

one of the rear wheels. The front part

of the car also bore evidence of the un-

expected meeting.

—The Y. M. C. A. rooms were crowded

last evening. Tea was served between

5 and 7, and was partaken of by a num-

ber of members. Afterwards shuffle

board, ping-pong and other games were

played in. These were followed by the

young men's physical class, in charge of

Instructor F. A. Wadsworth. Needless

to say those attending spent a beneficial

and enjoyable couple of hours. Arrange-

ments are being made by the manage-

ment for a shuffle and ping-pong tourna-

ment. Already a large number of en-

tries have been received.

—C. B. Fowler, president of the B. C.

General Contract Company, which has

the contract for the construction of the

C. P. R. hotel foundations, arrived from

the Sound yesterday afternoon. He is

perfectly satisfied with the progress of

the hotel work, and says that four-fifths

of the total excavation has been perform-

ed. Twelve hundred yards of concrete

has been laid, and within another week

concrete laying will be carried on ex-

clusively. Altogether 10,000 yards will

have to be laid. Another pile driver

started to work to-day.

—The recent fire that destroyed the big

hotel at Olympia, from which the guests

barely escaped with their lives and with-

out their personal effects, although the

hour was early in the evening, has proved

the means of stirring the Puget Sound

cities to action, and all are instituting

reforms in their fire escape sys-

tem. Ladders are discarded and more

stairways are required to be placed out-

side the hotel buildings. A rope properly

secured must be in every room, and on

each floor notices are placed in promi-

nent positions to direct guests to the fire

escapes. It is intended to have the new

system in full working order before the

tourists travel in the spring.

—The police are about to begin a cru-

sade against the air gun nuisance. The